

An Historic Community with a Vision for the Future

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Barrington

September 2004

Village to Enter New Recycling, Refuse & Yardwaste Agreement

As of October 1, 2004, Barrington's Recycling, Refuse & Yardwaste Agreement with Groot ends. Over the last 4 – 5 months, the Public Works Committee and Pubic Works staff have worked diligently with Groot in an effort to negotiate a new agreement for both residential and commercial pickups. A new agreement is anticipated to be reviewed by the Village Board on August 23, 2004, and could go into effective October 1, 2004. Some of the new conditions associated with this agreement are as follows:

- Groot has reduced the cost for the smaller commercial containers (65-gallon through 6 yd.) by 20% reduction in the first year of the agreement across the board.
- Groot will deliver a 95-gallon wheeled waste aid container for refuse use only to every residential resident as well as a 65gallon wheeled recycling container. Groot will be responsible for the maintenance and delivery of these containers during the term of the agreement.

• It is important to note that their introduction of the new refuse and recycling waste aid containers is a significant service enhancement to our overall current program. Having a recycling container will increase the volume of recyclables for virtually all residents by making it easier to recycle.

Once the Village Board approves this agreement, Groot anticipates delivering the new (95)-gallon

refuse and (65)-gallon recycling containers to all residents the last week in September 2004. In the



upcoming October Village Newsletter, there will be additional information on this agreement. If you have any questions regarding recycling, refuse or yardwaste, please contact Public Works at 847-381-7903.

4th Annual Scarecrow Festival

The Barrington Economic Partnership, a joint effort between the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce, the Our Town Barrington Volunteers and the Village of Barrington, in cooperation with the Barrington Village Association, is planning the 4th annual Scarecrow Festival. The Scarecrow Festival has been a huge success the past three years, with the Village achieving their goal of creating an exciting, enticing and fun

environment for the entire community. Both businesses and residents are invited to participate in this event. Beginning the Week of September 27th and lasting through the end of October, Scarecrows will be appearing at businesses and homes all over Barrington. Votes can be placed for the 'People's Choice' award at several locations throughout Barrington. Many of the businesses will be sponsoring their own special events.

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4th Annual Scarecrow Festival (Cont. from page 1)

On Saturday, October 16th, a community event will be held featuring several family-fun activities. Complimentary cookie decorating and scarecrow



decorating, among other activities will be held throughout Barrington. A detailed calendar of events will appear in the October Village Newsletter.

The Village encourages residents to organize their own neighborhood contests and submit entries 'as a group' to the area voting locations for their Scarecrow decorations.

For more information, contact Melanie Marcordes at 847/304-3444.



Please Pitch in to Conserve Water

Now that summer is here, additional water is being used by consumers to maintain lawns, gardens and trees. This extra water usage has incurred a higher demand on the water system. Although the Village does not yet need to introduce water restrictions, we ask on a voluntary basis, you to limit your watering to odd/even days (i.e. addresses ending with an odd number water on odd days of the month) and, to make a conscious effort to conserve this precious resource throughout the remaining summer. Utilizing one or more of the following water conservation tips will be helpful.

- Run dishwashers and washing machines with a full load only (unless reduced fill settings are available)
- Water lawns and gardens early in the morning to avoid evaporation loss.
- Avoid sprinklers that produce a fine mist. Too much water is lost to the wind and to evaporation.
- Sweep sidewalks and driveways instead of washing them.
- Insulate hot water pipes between the heater and the faucets to reduce the amount of water that must be run to get hot water.
- When washing a car, rinse it once. Use a

bucket of soapy water to wash it, and then rinse it once more quickly. Taking a car to a car wash may save water since many commercial installations recycle their water.

- Take shorter showers. Turn down the faucets, and try a low flow showerhead. A typical five-minute shower can use over 40 gallons of water. shower of seven-minutes or longer can consume more water than a bath.
- A typical toilet leak can waste thousands of gallons of water each day.
- Don't leave water running when shaving, brushing teeth, washing hair, or washing dishes.
- A small drip from a leaking faucet can waste 170 gallons of water each day. Replace worn washers.

Farmers Market

The Barrington Village Association is proud to sponsor the fourth annual Barrington Farmer's Market for the 2004 season. The market opened on June 24, 2004 and will operate every Thursday thereafter, through October 14, 2004 from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Hazardous Waste Pick-up

SWANCC Household Hazardous Collection Event Sponsored by the Illinois EPA: www.swancc.org

SEPTEMBER 11: Round Lake Beach -

Metra Train Station

(West of Hwy. 83 off of Hook

Drive near Rollins Road)

SEPTEMBER 25: Lake Forest -

Municipal Service Center

(110 East Laurel Avenue)

LATEX PAINT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT ANY OF THESE EVENTS

The following materials are typical household chemical wastes that are usually included in a one-day HCW drop-off event. To help you determine if something is a household chemical waste, look for the words "danger" "toxic" "flammable" "corrosive" and/or "reactive" somewhere on the products packaging.

MATERIALS ACCEPTED:

Oil based paint, solvents, old prescriptions, used motor oil, household cleaners, household batteries (alkaline & rechargeable), antifreeze, garden/lawn chemicals, pool chemicals, asbestos, old gasoline, fungicides, insecticides, pesticides, metal polishes, paint remover, driveway sealer, drain cleaner, aerosol products, hobby chemicals, mercury (thermometers & thermostats).

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED:

Business or institutional wastes, explosives or ammunition, fire extinquishers, lead-acid batteries, tires, latex paint, agricultural chemicals, fireworks, propane tanks, smoke detectors and medical waste.

Tires & lead acid batteries (auto/boat) can be recycled at any retail outlet that sells them. Residents can call SWALCO at 847-336-9340 for further information on HWC events or call Barrington Public Works at 847-381-7903.

Call J.U.L.I.E Before You Dig - 1-800-892-0123

Before doing any digging or excavating at home, contact J.U.L.I.E. (a one call underground utility locating service) so any existing underground facilities can be located.



Mark Your Calendars

September 11, 2004



A memorial service is scheduled for September 11, 2004 at Barrington Memorial Park. Please watch Channel 4 for more information.

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Village Vision

he Vision of Barrington is to preserve and promote its unique small town heritage, preserve its distinct ecological and historical character, provide a moral and safe environment. maintain a high quality of life through the efficient use of community resources, and respond to future challenges through citizen participation in all civic, social and cultural endeavors.

The Community is committed to preserving the quality of its neighborhoods, the quality of education, and the diversity of leisure time activities. The community is dedicated to fostering an easily-accessible center of activity for the Barrington area, maintaining a prosperous economic base, protecting its extensive natural resources and promoting public participation and communication.

HOT TIPS

SIGNS IN RIGHT-OF-WAY (Parkway)

Home for Sale signs & Garage Sale signs placed in the right-of-way (parkway) will be removed. As a good practice, do not place signs in the area between the curb and sidewalk. Contact the Building & Planning Department at 847-304-3460 for a garage sale permit application.

SAVE THE DATE

October 16, 2004 - Scarecrow Festival.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Please be especially careful driving this time of year, as children are returning to school.

GARBAGE PICK-UP -

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, Groot will pick up all garbage, recycling and yardwaste materials on Satruday, September 11th.

New Village Web Site Available

Barrington recently launched a new and more resident-friendly Web site, www.barrington-il.gov. The old Web site is currently available, but will soon be phased out. The new version has expanded lists of local businesses, information on Village offices and is generally more user oriented, with easy to use pull down tabs. In the future, the Web site will become even more dynamic by offering Village forms and other interactive capabilities.